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## *IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

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*Group:* 3761

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BANDAGE

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### AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2007, please amend the subject application as provided below, and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** being on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.